Responsive to 11/05/04 Office Action

Application No. 10/071,802

Although Martin et al does not explicitly teach generating the total number of orders that were delivered on time for a first second or third subset of the records, it would have been obvious to generate a database showing, for each order placed between a customer and supplier, all the information to generate the on time

performance to allow the user to more accurately evaluate the on time performance of shipments between several combinations of suppliers and

customers.

(Office Action, p. 10). Again, instead of alleging a genuine motivation in the prior art to modify

Martin to be configured in the particular manner claimed, the Office Action is improperly

benefiting from 20/20 hindsight using Applicant's own specification to arrive at the particular

claimed configuration. There is simply no teaching or suggestion of the specifically claimed

combinations of features, nor is there any motivation in the prior art to combine features in the

specific way claimed.

Conclusion

All rejections having been addressed, it is submitted that the present application is in

condition for allowance, and notice to that effect is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner

feel that a telephone interview would be beneficial to expedite prosecution of the present

application, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below number. Please

charge any fees due in connection with this paper to our Deposit Account No. 19-0733.

Respectfully submitted,

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